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F I E L D N O T E S

NOVEMBER 20, 1967

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ALANSON NOBLE, DIV. A, CASCO, NOV. 10:

WARDEN TOM BRYANT, BIDDEFORD: DEER SHOWING UP IN THE FIELDS VERY WELL. NOT MANY PHEASANTS. DUCKS SEEM TO BE SCARCE, HUNTERS ALSO. NOT COLD ENOUGH, I GUESS. HUNTERS ARE TAKING A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF DEER FOR THE WARM WEATHER. NOT TOO MUCH ACTIVITY AT NIGHT.

WARDEN ERVIN LORD, NORTH LOVELL: A GOOD NUMBER OF HUNTERS OUT, BUT NO RECORD. DEER KILL IS DOWN FOR THE FIRST WEEK IN THIS DISTRICT. SOME NIGHT ACTIVITY.

WARDEN CHARLES COCHRAN, LIMERICK: CLINTON REED OF WEST NEWFIELD SHOT A 175-LB. BEAR IN THE CENTER OF TOWN ON NOV. 3. BEAR SEEM TO BE SHOWING UP MORE IN THIS GENERAL AREA AND POSTED LAND IS INCREASING ALSO.

WARDEN RUSS DYER, POLAND SPRING: HUNTERS IN THIS AREA ARE COMPLYING WITH THE FLUORESCENT ORANGE CLOTHING LAW VERY WELL. MOST STORES IN THIS AREA HAVE BEEN SOLD OUT OF VESTS AND CAPS FOR SOME TIME. MANY HUNTERS IN PLACES ON NOV. 1. THERE WERE 88 CARS ON A TWO-MILE STRETCH OF THE RAMSDALL RD. IN GRAY.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ARTHUR ROGERS, DIV. B, WATERVILLE NOV. 8:

WARDEN DEAN JORDAN, WISCASSET: THERE ARE AT LEAST FIVE BALD EAGLES LIVING ON SWAN ISLAND IN RICHMOND. DUCK HUNTING VERY SLOW THIS WEEK AS NEW FLIGHT BIRDS HAVE NOT REACHED HERE. THE DEER KILL AT MOST OF THE REGISTRATION STATIONS IS UNDER LAST YEAR DUE TO THE OPENING DAY DURING THE WEEK AND BAD WEATHER, WITH LOTS OF FOG. THERE ARE PLENTY OF DEER. SOME DEER HUNTERS HERE SHOULD WISE UP AS MANY LANDOWNERS ARE POSTING THEIR LANDS DUE TO BAD MANNERS OF GANG HUNTING AND USING DOGS TO HUNT DEER. SOME HUNTERS ARE BEING PROSECUTED BY THE LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SAGADAHOC SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, STATE POLICE, AND I LOCATED A LOST HUNTER IN WOOLWICH AT 2 A.M. NOV. 5. IT WAS UNUSUAL TO DISCOVER THE LOST HUNTER TO HAVE A GOOD FIRE GOING, DESPITE A RECENT RAINSTORM. THE LOST SUBJECT DID STATE "I'LL NEVER HUNT AGAIN WITHOUT A COMPASS."

WARDEN WINFIELD GORDON, WARREN: SO FAR WE HAVE HAD VERY FEW HUNTERS OUT. THE DEER ARE MOVING INTO THE FIELDS NOW. THE HUNTERS ARE SAYING THAT THERE ISN'T THE DEER HERD WE HAVE HAD. THE WEATHER HAS BEEN FOGGY FOR THREE DAYS THIS WEEK.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR WALTER BISSET, DIV. C, ELLSWORTH, NOV. 10:

WARDEN LEON GILPATRICK, BELFAST: DEER HUNTING GOT OFF TO A SLOW START. DID NOT SEE AS MANY HUNTERS OUT THE FIRST DAY AS IN PAST YEARS. DEER REGISTRATIONS ARE BEHIND. I THINK IT IS BECAUSE THE WEATHER IS TOO WARM. I'VE NOTICED THAT BEARS IN MY DISTRICT ARE VERY ACTIVE GETTING READY FOR WINTER. I MET A HUNTER IN NORTHPORT RECENTLY WHO WAS DRESSED IN A WHITE SWEATER AND BLUE PANTS. I ASKED HIM IF HE VALUED HIS LIFE ANY. HE SAID THAT HE JUMPED A DEER IN BACK OF HIS HOME AND HADN'T THOUGHT ANYTHING ABOUT HIS CLOTHES. I BELIEVE THAT HE WILL THINK BEFORE HE GOES OUT AGAIN.

WARDEN EDWIN WUORI, AMHERST: DEER HUNTING BEGAN WITH LESS THAN THE USUAL NUMBER OF HUNTERS. BUT THE DEER REGISTRATION IS RUNNING ABOUT AVERAGE. THE SECOND DAY OF THE SEASON I SAW THREE DEER STANDING IN OPEN FIELDS. AND I SAW SEVERAL HUNTERS DRIVE BY. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY THOUGHT DEER LOOK LIKE AS NO ONE STOPPED TO FIRE AT THEM.

SATURDAY I CHECKED A NEW JERSEY HUNTER WHO HAD JUST DRESSED OUT A DEER BESIDE THE ROAD. HE SAID HE WAS ON HIS WAY HOME DRIVING IN A STRING OF TRAFFIC OF SEVERAL CARS WHO APPEARED TO BE HUNTERS. HE COULD LOOK AHEAD AND SEE A DEER STANDING BESIDE THE ROAD. ALL THE CARS DROVE BY; WHEN IT CAME HIS TURN HE PULLED OFF THE ROAD, GOT OUT AND SHOT THE DEER. NO ONE ELSE SEEMED TO SEE IT.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR JOHN SHAW, DIV. E, WILTON, NOV. 12:

WARDEN VERNON MOULTON, WELD: HUNTERS ARE STILL COMMENTING ON THE NUMEROUS BEAR SIGN SEEN. THE APPLES ARE BEING CLEANED UP RATHER FAST AS BEAR, COONS, AND DEER ARE FEEDING ON THEM HEAVILY.

WARDEN EBEN PERRY, RANGELEY: AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON NOV. 11, THE GAME INSPECTION STATION IN RANGELEY HAD A TOTAL OF 52 DEER. LAST YEAR AT THIS TIME THE TOTAL WAS 62. THIS COULD BE DUE TO THE SEASON OPENING LATER THIS YEAR.

WARDEN BRYCE CLAYTON, EUSTIS: THE MIDSEASON COUNT FOR DEER IN THIS AREA WAS 135. THIS IS A LOT SHORT OF THE NUMBER THAT ARE USUALLY TAGGED IN MY AREA. IF THIS TREND KEEPS UP, THE DEER KILL COULD BE LOWER THAN LAST YEAR'S KILL WHICH WAS THE LOWEST ON RECORD FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS.

WARDEN ALDEN KENNETT, BETHEL: SO FAR THIS HUNTING SEASON SEEMS TO BE ABOUT AVERAGE EXCEPT FOR THE NIGHT HUNTING ACTIVITY WHICH SEEMS TO BE RATHER LIGHT. THE MID-SEASON DEER KILL WAS ONLY ONE LESS THAN LAST YEAR BUT THE DIFFERENCE IN THE SEASON MEANS IT TOOK FIVE MORE DAYS TO GET THAT MANY DEER.

WARDEN MARTIN SAVAGE, OQUOSSOC: BUCKS HAVE STARTED TO MOVE THIS WEEK WITH SEVERAL GOOD ONES SHOT IN THIS AREA. WE HAVE HAD TRACKING SNOW MOST OF THE WEEK IN THE PARMACHENEE AREA. HAD A NEAR HUNTING ACCIDENT TUESDAY EVENING AS THREE LOCAL HUNTERS WERE RETURNING TO THEIR CAR THROUGH AN OPEN FIELD. A NONRESIDENT HUNTER GOT OUT OF HIS CAR AND SHOT AT THEM TWICE. ONE OF THE BULLETS STRUCK THE STOCK OF A RIFLE CARRIED BY ONE OF THE HUNTERS.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR DAVID PRIEST, DIV. G, LINCOLN CENTER, NOV. 13:

WE DO NOT HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF NONRESIDENT HUNTERS IN THIS DIVISION AT THE PRESENT TIME. I WOULD GUESS THAT THE DEER KILL WAS DOWN SOMEWHAT LAST WEEK. THERE WERE FEWER HUNTERS AROUND. THIS MORNING ONE "WOULD-BE" HUNTER SHOT A HORSE AND LEFT IT TO SUFFER UNTIL THE OWNER FOUND IT AND PUT IT OUT OF IT'S MISERY. THIS HAPPENED IN DREW AND THE SO-CALLED HUNTER ROARED AWAY IN HIS GAS BUGGY WITHOUT MAKING HIMSELF KNOWN. THIS SEASON IN DIVISION G WILL GO INTO THE RECORDS AS ONE OF OUR POOREST DUCK AND WOODCOCK SEASONS. I GOT A REPORT OF A SIX-POINT BUCK BEING SHOT THIS WEEK WITH ITS ANTLERS STILL IN VELVET.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR WALLACE BARRON, DIV. J, BINGHAM, NOV. 13:

HUNTING PRESSURE IS LIGHT OVER MOST OF THE DIVISION THIS PAST WEEK, DEER REGISTRATION ALSO LIGHT. CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY AT NIGHT. DEER STILL COMING OUT AROUND THE ROADS AND FIELDS.

WARDEN NORMAN HARRIMAN, ROCKWOOD: DEER REGISTRATION AT TESSIER'S IN ROCKWOOD AS OF NOV. 5 IS 148. THIS IS 60 OVER THE COUNT IN 1966; 30 UNDER THE COUNT IN 65.

WARDEN DONALD WALKER, BINGHAM: HUNTING PRESSURE LIGHT, VERY FEW NONRESIDENTS. HAD FIVE DEER-AUTO COLLISIONS IN 10 DAYS.

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FROM GAME BIOLOGIST BILL PEPPARD, HOLDEN, NOV. 3:

AN AMERICAN WOODCOCK, ORIGINALLY CAPTURED AND BANDED WITH BAND NUMBER 543-80099 ON AUGUST 20, 1963, WAS RECAPTURED IN THE SAME FIELD ON JULY 31, 1967. WHEN BANDED IN 1963, THIS WOODCOCK WAS IDENTIFIED THEN AS AN ADULT MALE, WHICH MEANS HE WAS AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OLD WHEN RECAPTURED THIS PAST SUMMER.